

REBUTTAL IS
HURRIED OVERVarious People Present at the
Shooting

SAY THAW ACTED RATIONAL

It Is Justice Dowling's Intention to Take
Court Over to Penitentiary Late
To-day to Get Abe Hummel's
Testimony.

New York, Jan. 28.—R. E. Longley, a public accountant, who was on the Madison Square roof on the night of the tragedy when Stanford White was shot, was the first witness in rebuttal at the Thaw trial to-day. He sat about 10 feet from White and had a good view of Thaw. He said that he seemed perfectly rational. The witness was not cross-examined.

Meyer Cohen, a music publishing house manager, also saw the shooting. He first saw Thaw when he left his seat and took a position where he could view those seated in the audience. Thaw impressed him as perfectly rational.

H. F. Blaine, Paul Brude, a fireman, and Warner Paxton, engineer at the Garden, all of whom witnessed the tragedy, were quickly sworn and declared that Thaw seemed rational. The same statement was made by three police officers, who came in personal contact with Thaw on the night of the shooting.

Dr. Francis Maguire, the Tomb's physician, who has had Thaw under observation since his arrest, was not permitted to testify as to his condition, as Littleton invoked the code section which prohibits a doctor testifying as to information obtained while acting in his professional capacity.

It is believed that Jerome is prepared to hurry through the rebuttal. Immediately following this afternoon's session, Justice Dowling plans to take the jury, lawyers and prisoner to the Blackwell's island penitentiary, where Abe Hummel, who refuses to come to court, will be examined. Thaw will be followed unless Jerome changes his mind and decides he does not need Hummel's testimony to offset that of Evelyn Thaw.

The Closing of the Defense.

Thaw's defense closed yesterday with "manic-depressive" insanity as explaining the death of Stanford White at the hands of the young Pittsford millionaire.

District Attorney Jerome disappointed a crowded court room when he refrained from last year's tactics of baiting the expert witnesses for the defense. Three of whom—Drs. Wagner, Evans and Jelliffe—declared that at the time Thaw killed Stanford White he was suffering from such a defect of reason as not to know the nature or quality of his act, or that the act was wrong.

The prosecution contented himself with drawing from the alienists the fact that last year they swore that it was during a "brain storm" that Thaw committed the homicide. He also read from the affidavit made by Dr. Wagner before the lunacy commission last year giving conversations with Thaw in court which tended to show that the defendant had a distinct recollection of occurrences on the roof garden immediately preceding the tragedy.

CARDINAL RICHARD DIED
IN PARIS THIS MORNINGWas One of the Best Known Catholic
Clergymen in Paris, Cause of
Death Was Congestion
of the Lungs.

Paris, Jan. 28.—Cardinal Richard, archbishop of Paris, and one of the best known Catholic clergymen in Europe, died this morning of congestion of the lungs. He was 89 years old.

AFTER THE LIFE INSURANCE.

Creditors Do Not Want The Widow of
Sargeant to Have It.

Boston, Jan. 28.—A stipulation was filed with the clerk of the Suffolk county superior court yesterday, providing that the check for \$25,000 paid by a life insurance company to the widow of Frederick E. Sargeant, cashier of the suspended "Jewelry" National bank at North Attleboro, be deposited with the firm of Boston bankers, subject to their investment, and held by them until such time as the court would make disposition of the matter.

The hearing on petitions filed by the Old Colony Trust company of Boston and Charles G. Hancock, receiver of the bank, to enjoin Mrs. Sargeant from enjoying her husband's insurance money, will be held Feb. 3.

The Old Colony Trust company seeks to obtain the insurance money to satisfy an alleged claim against the dead cashier, while Receiver Hancock seeks to have the same money turned over to the Jewellers' bank to satisfy its creditors, claiming that Sargeant's methods of banking were responsible for the predicament of the institution.

STRANGLED TO DEATH.

Distressing Elevator Accident at a Mass-
achusetts Village.

Westfield, Mass., Jan. 28.—Ralph H. Magistrah, the 14-year-old son of Rev. E. H. Magistrah of East Bridgewater, was killed by an elevator at the Worcester Paper mills at Westfield village yesterday. The boy had gone to the mill to visit his brother, who is employed there as a bookkeeper. He was strangled to death by being caught between the elevator and one of the girders.

A CENTRAL TRAIN
PARTLY IN SWAMPTwo Cars Derailed Near Stratford, Conn.,
Late Yesterday and Several
People Were Injured.

Stratford, Conn., Jan. 28.—By the ditching of the combination mail and express and the combination baggage and smoking cars of local passenger train No. 1, northbound, on the Central Vermont line at Jewett's crossing about two miles below state line late yesterday several persons were more or less injured, but none of them, it is believed, fatally. The accident was due to a broken rail. The two derailed cars were sent down an embankment into a swamp. The train was going up grade slowly at the time.

Among the most severely hurt were William Parks of Stratford, broken arm and injuries about the head, David Robertson, Stratford, two ribs broken.

Albert Bennett, Springfield, Mass., badly shaken up.

The conductor of the train, Daniel W. Patch, was also badly shaken up and hurt about the head.

Immediately after the accident the locomotive was sent ahead to Monson, Mass., for medical aid and in the meantime word was also sent to rush physicians from Stratford and Stratford Springs. By the time the engine had arrived at this point, however, to take the physicians to the scene of the wreck, a message was received that the doctors would not be needed as all medical help necessary had arrived from Monson. The tracks were still blocked at a late hour but passengers were being transferred around the wreck.

TRADE AGREEMENT
WAS SIGNED TODAYWhereby Certain Concessions Are Made
By United States and France to
Each Other.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28.—The French and American trade agreement whereby certain tariff concessions are made by one nation to the other and which has been under consideration for months was signed at the state department today by Ambassador Jusserand for France and Secretary Root for the United States. Later in the day President Roosevelt will issue a proclamation putting the agreement into effect.

MRS. EDDY TOOK A DRIVE.

Reported to Be Well Pleased With New
Home.

Boston, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, head of the Christian Science church, who on Sunday transferred her residence from Concord, N. H., to an estate in the Chestnut Hill section of Newton, took a drive about an hour yesterday afternoon in a closed carriage. It has been her custom to take daily drives during her residence of many years in Concord.

At her new home no information was given out, save that the methods in vogue at her Concord home would be continued with little change at Chestnut Hill.

It was stated that no callers would be received by Mrs. Eddy until she had become thoroughly settled in her new home. She was said to be well pleased with her new surroundings. She rested well Sunday night and did her usual work yesterday.

LIQUIDATION BEGUN.

Wall Street Philosophical About National
Bank of North America.

New York, Jan. 28.—Liquidation of the National bank of North America was begun yesterday. Charles A. Hanna, national banking examiner of this district, who was appointed receiver Sunday was in conference yesterday with Comptroller Ridgely, William E. Havemeyer, president of the bank, and some of the bank's local advisers.

No authoritative statement was issued by any of the officials, but the opinion was expressed that the bank's depositors would be paid in full within sixty days. This is largely dependent upon the successful liquidation of some of the loans now held by the bank.

The closing of the bank occasioned little surprise in financial circles, and seemed to have only a slightly adverse stock market influence.

DIVIDEND TO EMPLOYEES.

R. F. Simmons Co. of Attleboro Keeps
Up Profit-Sharing.

Attleboro, Mass., Jan. 28.—The R. F. Simmons company, one of the largest jewelry manufacturers in the Attleboro, declared its 12th semi-annual dividend to employees yesterday.

The scheme of sharing the profits with the help was started some years ago and yesterday \$5,000 was divided, each employee receiving an amount in proportion to his wages. The firm announced yesterday that it is positive of a busy season, despite the fact of its being presidential year. It says the orders being received point to a large volume of business.

MANY AUTOS DAMAGED.

Lowell Garage Destroyed Last Night
With a Loss of \$21,000.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 28.—Fire last night in the garage of the Lowell Automobile company on Appleton street caused a loss of about \$20,000 to owners of machines and \$1,000 to the building. The latter is owned by Charles J. Glidden and is insured.

The Lowell Automobile company is owned by Harry L. Noyes and W. H. Greene. Mr. Noyes is not able to estimate his loss, but is covered by insurance. There were about 30 automobiles stored in the garage.

During the year 1907 there were five marriages, 24 births, and 17 deaths in Orwell. The combined ages of those who died was 587 years, eleven months, and eleven days, an average of over 58 years.

ON COMPLAINT
OF VERMONTMassachusetts Man Arrested
on Charge of Forgery

TWO NOTES OF \$5,000 EACH

W. A. Bailey Says That He Owed Money
But There Was a Misunderstanding
Which Culminated in His
Arrest.

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 28.—W. A. Bailey, manager of the Massachusetts Realty and Investment company, with an office in this city, was arrested last night on charges of forgery in connection with two notes of \$5,000 each on which the name of O. O. Ware of Wilmington, Vt., appears as signature and endorsement.

Mr. Bailey was arrested upon his arrival from Boston, where his business takes him each day, and on being taken to the police station declared that he preferred to remain there for the night rather than attempt to arrange for the bail of \$10,000, which was demanded.

O. O. Ware, whose name appears on the notes, is a merchant of Wilmington, and is interested in a bank there. He is said to have declared that he never gave Mr. Bailey any notes of any description and that the signature and endorsement on the notes are a clumsy imitation of his handwriting. Mr. Ware is 70 years of age.

According to the police Mr. Bailey sold the notes in question to Walter H. Davis, a Worcester wholesale dry goods dealer, who has for years had business dealings with Ware.

Mr. Bailey said after his arrest that the charges were absolutely false, and that he could prove his innocence. He said that he owed Mr. Davis money, and there had been some trouble over this, and that the arrest was an outcome of it. He retained former Congressman John R. Thayer and Alexander H. Bullock of this city as his counsel. Thomas H. Sullivan is attorney for Mr. Ware, and Willis R. Sibley for Mr. Davis.

Mr. Bailey has been prominent in business affairs in Worcester county for a number of years. He organized and constructed the Worcester and Southbridge street railroad, which a few years ago went into the hands of a receiver and was later sold to the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad company interests.

TO SUE DIRECTORS
CREDITORS VOTEDVermont Creameries Company Officials
Will Be Asked to Make Good the
Company's Debts.

St. Albans, Jan. 28.—At a meeting of the creditors of the Vermont Creameries company, which was held in this city to-day, it was voted not to sign a contract which would enable the company to settle its affairs and continue business here, but it was voted to sue the Vermont directors, taking the action under section 4,307 of the public statutes on the ground that the directors are liable for debts contracted by the company to the amount of stock required by the state to be paid in.

DETERMINED ON SUICIDE.

John Garchunett, Aged 60, Kills Himself
in Providence.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 28.—John Garchunett, aged 60, an Attleboro jewelry worker, committed suicide yesterday in a Broad-street lodging house.

The man had made every preparation for taking his own life. He had closed all the closets in the room, plugged his nostrils with cotton and laid his head in a rubber tube connecting with a gas jet. Then he turned on the gas. No reason for his act is known.

Sullivan-Clark Bout Off.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 28.—Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence, Mass., and Billy Clark failed to meet in the ring at the Spring Garden which was held in this city to-day, it was called off owing to the small attendance.

Thieves Hold Up U. S. Mail
Imprison Driver and Clerk in Box Car
and Then Rifle Sacks.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 28.—During thieves last night robbed a United States mail wagon loaded with incoming mail which had just arrived from Cincinnati and other northern points. The thieves are reported to have obtained about \$5,000. The wagon, which was heavily screened, was attacked near some freight cars.

Barney Simmons, the railway mail clerk, and S. J. Smith, the negro driver, who were held by the police, say that two men, armed with revolvers, stopped the horses and jumped into the wagon, which was then driven to a dark spot about 100 yards from a police station. There the robbers obtained the key to the screened portion, and after forcing his mail employees into a box car returned to rifle the mail.

The finding of a mail sack in the street a few moments after the robbery led to the discovery of the imprisoned men.

Fred Hadley, aged 31 years, who had a summer home at Saxtons River, committed suicide at the Massachusetts Reformatory hospital in Boston January 19, by cutting his throat with a razor. He is said that he was despondent because of ill health.

FAMILY FORCED OUT
BY FIRE IN NIGHTBurlington Fruit Store Burned Out To-
day, and Three People Had a
Close Call.

Burlington, Jan. 28.—The fruit store of Philippi Perlotti at 62 College street was burned out early this morning, fire being discovered shortly after midnight by Melric Modell, night watchman for the Shepard & Morse lumber company. The store was owned by Thomas Chas. Perlotti and was thoroughly gutted, while Perlotti's \$1,000 stock was all burned. The blaze started probably from a stove which Perlotti used for preventing the fruit from freezing.

Perlotti's family, who lived over the store, was nearly suffocated. A man aged to get on his underclothing and snatch his child from the bed, while Mrs. Perlotti got out scantily clad. The firemen had to fight the fire for an hour before they got it under control.

DEPUTY SHERIFF SUED.

For The Value of a New Famous Pair
of Socks.

Brattleboro, Jan. 28.—No end of excitement was caused yesterday in the trial of Deputy Sheriff M. P. Davis for the value of a pair of new famous socks and the amount claimed for their keeping, \$100, named in the writ. The plaintiff is William Gibbs, from whom the animals were taken in November on a lien note in favor of Sullivan D. Hishop against the owner of the steers, Watson S. French. The animals were sold and a trover writ immediately served upon the sheriff by Deputy Sheriff A. W. J. Wilkins.

This suit is of added interest as it involves another now pending in the Windham county court in which Watson French was given a judgment in a justice court of \$100 and costs against Mrs. Viola Miller, who refused to deliver the animals when demand was made of her and Gibbs and tender made for keeping to date.

MIDDLEBURY MAN PUR-
SUED BY FIRE FIENDL. O. Allen Had His Third Fire Within
Ten Days Shortly After
Midnight.

Middlebury, Jan. 28.—Shortly after midnight the fire department was called out for a fire in the barn of L. O. Allen, across the street from the property destroyed by fire last week. The flames were quickly under control and the damage is estimated at around \$200, covered by insurance. Mr. Allen has been suffering three fires in barns and shops within 10 days.

NO LABOR TICKET.

Will Be Placed in Rutland For Election
This Spring.

Rutland, Jan. 28.—Organized labor here will go into politics this year strictly on citizen's lines and no strictly labor ticket will be nominated for the first time since the unions took a hand in city elections. In addition to adopting a civic improvement platform, the independent labor party is called an "open" caucus and it seems to be the general opinion that some business man who will stand by the platform will head the ticket nominated rather than a representative of the trades.

DECLINES TO RESIGN.

Newport's Assistant Postmaster Says
His Record is Good.

Newport, Jan. 28.—C. A. Wheeler, who has been assistant postmaster for some time, has been asked to resign by Postmaster H. G. Blanchard, but has declined to do so. Mr. Wheeler gives as his reason that his record is such that there is nothing to cause his resignation. Mr. Blanchard does not state the reasons for his action but is sure they are sufficient. Mr. Wheeler says that he expects to be removed but will not resign and the result is watched with considerable interest.

BUSINESS CHANGE IN ST. ALBANS.

A. F. Richardson Sells Interest in Old
Dry Goods Firm.

St. Albans, Jan. 28.—A. F. Richardson has sold to G. F. Twigg his interest in the Richardson-Twigg dry goods company which has been doing business for 50 years. Mr. Twigg will continue the business with William D. Dorr as a junior partner, and acting under the old name. Mr. Richardson has been sick for some time and unable to attend to his business affairs.

TWO POUNDS WITH CLOTHES ON.

Is Weight of Rutland Baby Being
Brought Up.

Rutland, Jan. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mulligan of Danby are raising, apparently with good success, one of the smallest babies on record for this part of the state. At birth it weighed two pounds, dressed. It appears to be sound in every way and the doctor believes it will live.

TWO CANDIDATES OUT.

For State's Attorney Office in Rutland
County.

Rutland, Jan. 28.—Attorneys Joseph C. Jones of this city and Frank W. Williams of Brandon, to-day announced themselves as candidates for state's attorney for Rutland county. R. A. Lawrence, the present incumbent, will not run again.

VOTE TO BUILD AGAIN.

Rutland Town Will Expend \$7,000, It
Was Voted To-day.

Rutland, Jan. 28.—The voters of Rutland town to-day decided to build a 67,000 school and town hall to take the place of the school which was burned a few weeks ago. The town never had a suitable place for town meeting.

A MURDER
MOST LIKELYUnknown Man's Body Found
Near Swanton

ROPE TWISTED ABOUT NECK

The Man Had Been Dead a Day or Two—
He Was About 25 Years Old, of
Medium Height, and Evi-
dently a Foreigner.

Swanton, Jan. 28.—An unknown man was found dead this morning in the woods about two and one half miles from this place. Around his neck was a twisted rope, which was held in place by a short stick, and it is supposed that the man was murdered. The discoverers left the body where they found it and summoned the state's attorney. There are as yet no clues to the perpetrators of the deed. The man had been dead a day or two. He was about 25 years of age, of medium height, blond complexion, and was evidently a foreigner.

ORANGE COUNTY WARDENS.

Recommended by County Official and
Named by State Commissioner.

Chelsea, Jan. 28.—Deputy Sheriff R. H. Adams, Jr., has been re-appointed fish and game warden for Orange county, and has recommended the following town wardens, who have been appointed by Commissioner Thomas of Stowe: Brattleboro, George E. Ford; Brookfield, W. C. Clark and Edgar Waters; Chelsea, Carl M. Beckwith and Herbert S. Smith; Corinth, Gilbert R. Blake and Eugene Wallace; Fairlee, Arthur P. Bancroft; West Fairlee, Harris M. Miller; Randolph, Lyman Hutchinson, Ed. W. Kent and Irvin Heath; Orange, Roy Al Flanders and Fred Gauthier; Newbury, Hammon T. Baldwin and John Walker; Stratford, James O. Kendall and Wilbur Sleeper; Thetford, Will Tucker; Topsham, V. V. Hood and Grant Jackson; Tunbridge, Almon B. Bicknell and Benjamin Tucker; Vershire, Byron Titus and A. P. Brown; Washington, Geo. W. Downing; Williamstown, George W. Nichols and Arzo A. Reed.

VICTORY FOR ST. JOHNSBURY.

Academy Team Won From Montpelier
Seminary, 41 to 21.

St. Johnsbury, Jan. 28.—St. Johnsbury academy opened the season here last night by defeating the strong Montpelier seminary five, 41 to 21, in a fast game of basketball. The shooting by Robinson and Fiske and the team work of the locals were features. For the visitors, Hill and Atkins put up a star game. The summary:

St. J. Acc.	Mont. Sem.
Robinson, R.	Clarke
Fiske, H.	Simons
Walker, C.	Godfrey
Beck, R.	Hill
Gibson, J.	Atkins

Goals from floor, Robinson 6, Fiske 4, Hill 3, Beck 3, Walker 2, Gibson 2, Godfrey, Atkins; goals from fouls, Robinson 7, Atkins 7, Hill 4; referee, Jones; umpire, Moore; time, 20 minute halves; attendance, 200.

LOOKING UP RELATIVES.

Quincy Man Writes to Barre to Learn
of Mr. Sherline or Wife.

Win. Crickshaw is in receipt of a letter from Quincy, Mass., asking if he has any knowledge of Mr. Sherline or Mrs. Olive Sherline or their relatives. The writer, who signs himself as Fred Nutting, jr., 38 Nightingale street, Quincy, Mass., says he is their son and is anxious to find them. If anyone knows them they will do a favor by notifying Mr. Nutting at Quincy or Mr. Crickshaw at 108 Summer street.

BENJAMIN INDICTED.

Coventry, R. I., Man Charged By Grand
Jury With Murder.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 28.—Allen C. Benjamin of Coventry was indicted by the grand jury yesterday afternoon for the murder of Albert Babcock of Shelburne, Conn. The tragedy occurred at the Babcock home in the woods along the Connecticut state line in November, and a Providence woman, who is held as a witness, is said to have been the cause.

TO PLAN FOR TAFT.

Meeting For Organizing Work to Be
Held in St. Albans Tonight.

St. Albans, Jan. 28.—It is expected that something will be held this evening of the Red Cross organization and the Sons of the American Revolution to make plans for the visit of Secretary Taft to Burlington early in March when a public meeting will be held.

AIDS WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Burlington, Jan. 28.—A collection of \$123 was taken at the Cathedral Sunday for the relief of widows and orphans of the mine disaster in West Virginia. Agreeable to an order issued by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Michael, collections were taken up in every parish in the diocese.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Among arrivals at the City hotel last evening and today are H. J. Markoff, Charenton, N. H.; R. W. Varman, Jeffersonville, N. H.; W. Mann, Woodville, N. H.; J. A. Spear, Boston; J. A. Richard, Boston; G. R. Ferguson, St. Albans.

A BARRE UNION
DONATES \$10.00To Families of The Two Men Who Were
Shot While in The State House
in Boston Last December.

At the regular meeting of the tool sharpeners' union the sum of ten dollars was donated to the testimonial fund to be tendered to the families of the deceased president and injured secretary of the State of Massachusetts State Branch, American Federation of Labor, who were shot while waiting in the State House in Boston on December 5, last.

It was also arranged that every member of the union giving his name address, with 50 cents, to the secretary would get a yearly subscription to the Vermont Union Signal, the only labor paper published in the state, the union agreeing to put up the other fifty cents. The sum of \$10 was voted to start the same.

CLAN REMEMBERS BURNS.

Concert and Ball in Haverhill City Hall
Largely Attended.

Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 28.—Clan Douglas, O. S. C., no. 134, and the ladies' auxiliary, no. 21, celebrated the 149th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns last evening with a concert and ball at city hall. The affair was attended by about 600 people. The guest of the evening was Royal Secretary Peter Kerr of Boston. The committee of arrangements was:

Mrs. Robert T. Frackleton (president ladies' auxiliary), Chief Frank Leith of the clan, Alex. Wilson, James A. McNeil, Mrs. Arthur L. Armistead, Mrs. Robert M. Watson, Mrs. John T. Ritchie; reception committee, Chief Frank Leith, Mrs. Belle Barron, Mrs. Millie Campbell, Arthur J. Armistead, David Rolly; floor director, Hugh Campbell; assistant floor director, Robert M. Watson; aids, Robert Frackleton, Alex. Wilson, David Fife, William H. Ewing, Peter Fife, William N. McKay, William Pyrie.

LONG SERIES OF DEATHS.

Four in a Single Family Occurred Yester-
day Afternoon.

The fourth death in a single family since Christmas took place yesterday afternoon when Frank Brown died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Lewis Jerue, who resides between this city and Montpelier. On Christmas, his brother, Fred Brown, died. On last Tuesday his father, Theodore, died in Montpelier and while getting ready to go to the funeral Thomas Brown, the brother-in-law, dropped dead from heart failure.

Frank Brown was 50 years of age and leaves a widow, with whom he lived, and a daughter, Mrs. Mabel St. John, one brother, Edward Brown of Berlin, and two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Ryan of Berlin, and Mrs. Jennie, with whom he lived. He had been sick eight months, and at the time of his father's death it was reported on the street in Montpelier that he was also dead.

PHILLIP E. PELTIER.

Died Yesterday Afternoon After Being
Ill Since Last October.

Phillip E. Peltier died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home, 82 Summer street, after a long illness with pneumonia and tuberculosis. He was taken ill last October with pneumonia, and tuberculosis of the lungs developed. The deceased was 21 years of age and was employed as a stonecutter. He leaves a father, Charles Peltier, two brothers, John and Arthur, and four young sisters. The funeral will be held from St. Monica's church Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. The Knights of Columbus, of which order the deceased was a member, will take charge of the funeral. The interment will be in the Catholic cemetery.

OUTSIDERS IN COURT.

Frank Coburn of Montpelier and H. F.
Cushing of Northfield.

There were two cases of intoxication in the city court this morning. Frank Coburn of Montpelier was arrested last evening in North Barre by Officer Gamble and brought to the station in a team. He pleaded guilty to a 30 offense and went to the county jail for 20 days.

H. F. Cushing of Northfield was found by Officer Carle lying in the street on Keith avenue about ten o'clock last evening. Cushing's companion was trying to get him into a team when the officer arrived, and he refused to ride even at the officer's suggestion, and Carle then gave him a ride to the police station. Cushing pleaded guilty to a first offense and paid a fine of \$5 with costs of \$7.

BARBERS ASK
FOR A RAISEPresent New Bill as Old One
Expires April 1

THEY WANT \$15 PER WEEK

Other Change in Another Evening Of,
Thursday—There Are 11 Shops in
Barre and Four in Montpelier
Affected.

The journeymen barbers of the city have presented a new bill agreement to the proprietors of the various shops of the city to-day to take the place of the present agreement, which expires April 1. There are several changes in the new bill, including a shortening of hours and an increase in wages.

Under the present agreement, the journeymen are receiving a minimum of \$14.00 per week for nine months of the year and \$13.00 per week during January, February and March. The new agreement calls for a minimum of \$15.00 per week for 12 months in each year. Shops are now closed on Monday at noon and under the new bill this is a part of the regulations and, in addition, the journeymen ask that all shops shall be closed Thursday at six o'clock p. m.

There are at present 27 members of the local union exclusive of apprentices, and this agreement will affect 15 shops, 11 of which are in this city and four in Montpelier.

The agreement as presented to the proprietors to-day reads as follows: "To the proprietors of barber shops in Barre, Vt.: As the agreement with the journeymen barbers run out on the first day of April, 1908, we, the journeymen barbers, present to you, the proprietors, a new agreement or bill to take effect April 1, 1908, and to continue until April 1, 1911.

(1) That all shops close at 11 o'clock Saturday nights and close Monday at 12 o'clock m. and Thursday at six o'clock p. m. of each week.

(2) That the standard price of wages shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) a week for 12 months each year.

(3) That said proprietors shall give a journeymen barber one week's notice before discharging him, and that a journeymen shall give the proprietor one week's notice in case he wants to leave. That the proprietor has the right to retain one week's pay until he gets through.

(4) In case of hiring a man on trial, a proprietor may hire him at his own price for four weeks and then he is entitled to the standard price for journeymen.

(5) That all union shops shall be closed on all holidays as herein specified: July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving day, Christmas, New Year's and Decoration day.